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MATCHES TO COME.

NOVEMBER.

- 17—Oxford University Boat Club—four.
- 17—Cambridge University Boat Club—Colingbourne sculls.
- 23—Cambridge University Boat Club—trial eights.
- DECEMBER.
- 1—Cambridge University Boat Club—scratch fours.
- 20—Albany Amateur Rowing Club—four-oared races.

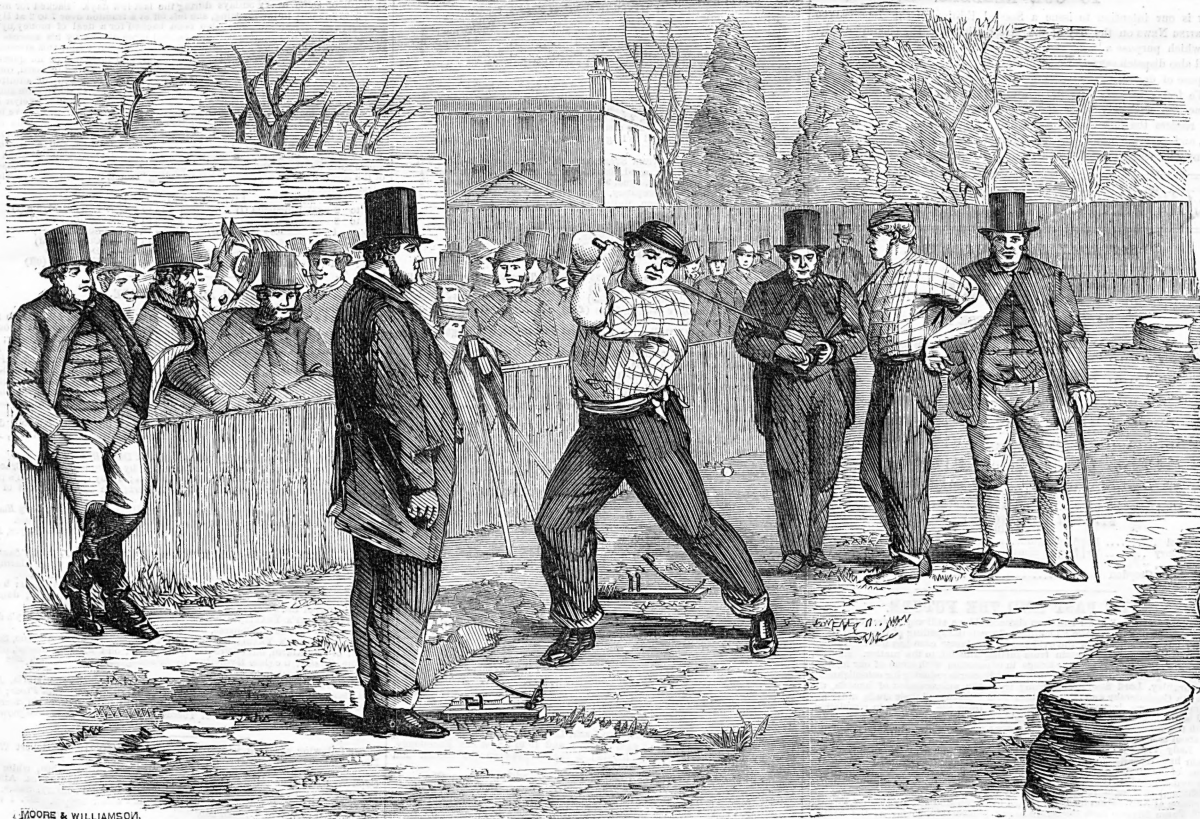
### THE TWO GREAT SCULLERS' MATCHES ON MONDAY LAST.

KILSBY AND SPENCER FOR £20.—GURTEEN AND LOVELL FOR £20. Monday last was in many respects a most auspicious day in the metropolis, for it was the natal day of the Prince of Wales, and, moreover, the occasional of the Lord Mayor's annual pageant—circumstances which it would have been supposed, might possibly tend to keep pleasure-seekers from the bosom of Old Father Thames, over which a bitter wind was sweeping, and "warning off" (how glibly these words come uppermost within the past fortnight!) those whose inclinations would lead them to witness the grand field-day promised in the two important matches set down in the register of aquatic events for decision. The first was by far the finest scullers' race seen this season, the competitors being William Spencer, a landman, of the Temple, and Frank Kilsby, a waterman's apprentice, of the Old Barge-houses, who, it will be remembered, contended a few months since, when Spencer, who is five or six years his opponent's senior, and has rowed some few races, while the other is a mere novice, gave two lengths' start, and Kilsby, going away from the first, won as he liked. There is no doubt that Spencer was in no sort of condition on the day, and his friends therefore backed him again, the men to start level. Both had taken every care of themselves, and came to the post in excellent condition. The course was from Putney to Mortlake, and the sum at stake £20 a side. The umpires were Mr. Clifton, for Spencer, and Mr. Innes for Kilsby, while Mr. H.B. Miles, of the William the Fourth, Thames-bank, Fulham, was referee. After a vast amount of fiddling they got off level, Spencer on the Middlesex side, and remained level for 200 yds, when Spencer began to draw in front, and was half his length ahead at the Star and Garter, going clear and nearly fouling 200 yds further on. Directly afterwards Kilsby drew

upon him, but Spencer spurted away, and increased his lead to the best part of a clear length at the Point, where Kilsby again went at it with a will, but was balked by the wash of his opponent and a waterman's apprentice, who was rowing ahead of him. The same positions were maintained till they had passed Craven Cottage, where there was another fine spurt from Kilsby, who, near the Crab Tree, drew on his opponent's stern, and continued to press him very hard till there was a slight touch near Hammersmith Bridge, and another under it. On each occasion Kilsby let his man go ahead, and directly they had passed through the bridge, sheered out to avoid his wash. The race now became intensely exciting, Kilsby being just on his opponent's quarter, till they reached Chiswick Alt, where Kilsby came up level, and there was a splendid struggle between them till they had reached the top end of the island, where Kilsby went clear in front, and, although closely pressed the remainder of the distance, won by five or six lengths. The start was not effected until 4.22 p.m., although advertised for 3 o'clock, and consequently Mortlake was not reached until a very palpable darkness had set in, to the immense disgust of the tolerably large assembly, who made vain attempts to keep their poor feet warm and their blood in circulation on board the Citizen Q, engaged specially to accompany the races.

The second event was started just before the above without a steam-boat in waiting, the competitors being Gurteen, one of Collard's firm, and Lovell, of Paddington—both landmen, who have done nothing calling for particular comment in this place. The stake was £10 a side, distance Putney to Barnes. Lovell, who had the best station, made a wretched start, Gurteen going right away till past the Crab Tree. Here Lovell gradually came up, and was level with his opponent near Hammersmith, when he fouled a barge, lost every vestige of chance, and consequently Gurteen won by six lengths; and thus terminated the season on the Thames. The winners trained at Mr. Parkhurst's, the Bull's Head, Barnes.

BOWLING.—Rather an unusual number of bowling contests took place on the Town Moor, Newcastle, last week, the principal being between the celebrated Laws, of North Seaton (2702), and Joseph Phillips, the famous pedestrian (2602). The contest was a series of misfortunes for Laws throughout, his bowl getting into difficulties at almost every throw: he was never able to get alongside of his opponent (who is a mere novice), and consequently suffered a disgraceful defeat by upwards of 50 yds. The issue naturally proved a thorough drop. Betting: 20 to 1 on Laws, but few takers.



THE GAME OF KNURR AND SPELL, PLAYED AT WEST BROMPTON, BETWEEN KIRK STABLES AND JOB PEARSON, FOR £100, NOV. 3, 1862.

(From a Drawing by our own Artist.)







## PEDESTRIANISM.

## MATCHES TO COME.

- 15.—Hayley and Howarth—200 yds, £25 a side, Salford.  
 16.—Metcalf and Plant—140 yds, £25 a side, Old Strawberry Gardens, West Derby-road, Liverpool.  
 17.—Hartley and Holroyd—440 yds, £25 a side, City Grounds, Manchester.  
 18.—Sweatshank, £25 each, three miles, to which a Champion Cup, value £50, will be added, Suile Inn, Andenshaw.  
 19.—22—Novice handicap, 400 yds, several money prizes, Park Inn, Prestwich.  
 20.—Hartley and Wainwright—120 yds, £10 a side, Victoria Grounds, Leeds.  
 21.—Four miles walking handicap, &c., for silver cups and money prizes, for the benefit of J. Allen, Old Strawberry Gardens, Liverpool.  
 22.—Freeman and Walker—120 yds, £5 a side, Old Strawberry Gardens, West Derby-road, Liverpool.  
 23.—Jones and McCabe—120 yds, £5 a side, Aston Cross, McCabe to have three yards start.  
 24.—Atkins and O'Connor—200 yds, £25 a side, half-way between Leicester and Northampton.  
 25.—Hartley and Miles—to walk two miles, Hatley receiving 100 yds start, for £25 a side, Hackney Wick.  
 26.—Mower and Priestley—to jump 500 hurdles, 10 yds apart, £25 a side, Brompton.  
 27.—Newell and Smith—440 yds, £10 a side, Aston Cross.  
 28.—Hudson and Taylor—200 yds, £25 a side, Beggar's Bush, Ocott.  
 29.—All England handicap, 120 yds, several money prizes, Trent Bridge Cricket Ground, Nottingham.  
 30.—Warwick and Murray's Novice—100 yds, £10, Hackney Wick.  
 31.—Booth and Monks—120 yds, £25 a side, Copenhagen Grounds, Manchester.  
 32.—Appley and Crozier—150 yds, £10, at Fenham Park Grounds, Newcastle.  
 33.—Ross and Thornton—100 yds, £10 a side, Thornton to have five yds start, St. Thomas's, Stantham.  
 34.—Mole and Whittle—200 yds, £25 a side, Salford.  
 35.—Arlingstall and Hilton—120 yds, £25 a side, Suile Inn, Andenshaw.  
 36.—Boulton and Dawson—200 yds, £10 a side, Dawson to have two yards start, Park Inn, Prestwich.  
 37.—Miles and Seal—to walk 10 miles, £25 a side, Seal to receive a minute and a half start, Bradford New Ground, Manchester.

## PROFESSOR THOMAS, THE SALOPIAN.

That distinguished athlete was born in Southwark, London, January 28, 1828. Height, 5 ft 10 in. The present engraving is from a photograph taken in the costume in which he performed in his calisthenic entertainment before his grace the Duke of Athol at his Highland residence, Dunkeld, Perthshire, on the 10th of July of the present year. His grace was so highly pleased that he presented him with a miniature claymore in silver. The medal on his breast, the Cross of St. Andrew, was presented to him by the officers of the Inverness, Elgin, Nairn, and Banff Militia at Fort George on the 10th of June, after performing in that garrison. The sword he holds was presented to him by the officers of the Royal Artillery at Hulse Barracks, Portsmouth, October 16, 1858, as a mark of their esteem for his science and agility. He received, on the 1st of September, 1857, through the adjutant-general, a Horse Guards order from H. H. the Duke of Cambridge, Commander-in-Chief of Her Majesty's Forces, to give his calisthenic entertainment at all military stations, camps, &c., and since that time he has performed before all the commanding officers with their regiments in every military station in Great Britain, Ireland, and the Channel Islands. On the 18th of May, 1861, by desire of Lord Randolph, he gave his entertainment before the members of the South Middlesex Volunteers and the nobility of the metropolis, in Beaufort Park, Fulham. A contemporary, in its remarks on this occasion, says: "All his feats were performed with a skill that must have been acquired only by a long-continued practice and perseverance. The ease with which he severed a whole sheep with one stroke of the broad sword, also the grace with which he performed the terrific feat of severing the lemon, striking perpendicularly on the palm of the naked hand, astonished every one present."

The Professor's debut into public life was as a pedestrian, first of all known as the Chelsea Wonder, and afterwards by the cognomen of the Salopian. In Feb. 1846, we find him in a seven miles walking match, defeating eight others, for a watch and gold chain, given by John Dunn, at his then country residence in Fulham Fields. Since that time he has made athletic sports his entire study, and to go through all his matches and feats is more than he have space to spare. His principal matches were with Spooner, in December, 1849, at Shrewsbury, ten miles, £25 a side, when he was defeated; in 1852, at the Old Copenhagen, he met and defeated Charles Powell, seven miles, £25 a side; defeated Sam East, twenty miles, £100; defeated Tom Pocock, seven miles, £50 a side; defeated Henry Jessop (Horse Guards Blue), seven miles, £25 a side; made a deal of £10 with Mr. Chadwick he would walk seven miles in 50 minutes, and had to forfeit £40, being taken with rheumatism whilst training the renowned Spiller and Jack Grant, at Margate. This was a great feat, and he was afterwards again taken with rheumatism. He appeared as a pedestrian in London was on the occasion of Mr. John Garratt's benefit at Hackney Wick, in a three miles walking match, for a silver cup, which he won, defeating W. Spooner, Charles Westhall, J. Hottin, C. Clark, F. Diamond, W. Newman, and six others, Feb. 1861, time 23 min. 45 sec. in a pelting snow storm. For his present position as a wordsman he is indebted to Mr. William Jackson, late of the Foot Guards, but now Master of the University Gymnasium, Cambridge.

## METROPOLITAN RACE GROUND, HACKNEY WICK.

MONDAY, NOV. 10.—The popular running enclosure at the White Lion, Hackney Wick, was opened on Monday upon the occasion of a benefit which was given to James Miles, of Britton, unquestionably one of the few leading walkers of the day. That his deserts should have been jeopardised by the ill influences of wretchedly bad weather, the absence of many of his regular sporting patrons at Farnborough, and the counter attraction of the winter Rose Show, cannot but be a source of much regret. The attendance, therefore, as may naturally be imagined, was extremely limited, there not being more than 500 spectators present; but yet, on the prize being paid over in the evening, Miles, with becoming manliness, heartily thanked Mr. Baum, the worthy host, for the gratuitous use of the ground, and likewise Mr. Price for his assiduous management. The sports opened with

A HANDICAP RACE OF 100 YDS.—The pedestrians who had entered had been fairly handicapped according to their antecedents, and ran in the undermentioned order:—First heat: Phillips, 5 yds start; Bentley, 6; Furniss, 7. A good race; Phillips the winner, Furniss second; Bentley third. Second heat: Bradshaw, 5; Dobbs, 6; Howes, 7; Masser, 7. An admirably contested race, and Masser the winner by a yard, Bradshaw finishing in a fine second. Third heat: James, 5; Corrick, 6; Cole, 7. Another fine race, Corrick the winner by a yard; James, who had ran so well up to this point, was a rattling second "best performer." Fourth heat: Anna, 5; Thompson, 6; Salt, 6. Salt gave his competitor, Anna, a little too much of the "measuring," for he broke well away from them as they neared the finish, and went in a winner by two yards; Anna second, Thompson being well up in the rear. The four winners of the preliminary heats were again brought together, and ran, at last, the first heat: Phillips, 5; Salt, 6. A rattling match, and Phillips the winner. Second heat: Corrick, 6; Masser, 7. These men twice in succession ran a dead heat, when they were allowed to save time, to "settle the question" in the final. Final heat: Phillips, 5; Corrick, 6; Masser, 7. As Masser went off before the pistol was fired, he had to be put back a yard. A fine race ensued, Corrick going in the winner by nearly two yards; Masser second, Phillips third, being close up in the rear of Masser.

MRS. HANCOCK.—Those who had entered for this event were brought to the post to contend in the following order:—First heat: Lord, from scratch; Arnold, 50; Gilder, 60; Caswell, 60; Turko, 70; Parker, 70; Clayton, 80;



MISS C. PARKES.

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(From a Photograph.)

PEARMAN, 80; Furniss, 90; and Golder, 100. Furniss the winner, Golder second, the others having "talled off" towards the finish. Second heat: Nigger, from scratch; Payne, 20; Wilkinson, 30; Annay, 80; Thorpe, 90; and Roberts, 100. A well contested race, and Wilkinson the winner by six yards. Annay second, Payne third, and Nigger fourth. Third heat: Davis, 40 yds start; Bradshaw, 60; Millwall Novice, 60; Lee, 80; Bernard,

80; Williams, 90; Baaton, 90; Howe, 90; Gardner, 90; Jerry, 110; and Brown, 70. A well-contested struggle, and Brown the winner, Howe second, the rest having broken off when they found they had no chance of winning. Fourth heat: Powell, from scratch; Wilson, 50 yds; Kingston Novice, 60; Matthews, 60; Blake, 60; May, 60; Wilcox, 70; Jule, 70; Finney, 80; and Leonard, 90. This ended in the victory of the Kingston Novice, who by also ran remarkably well, being second. Final heat: Furniss, 30 yds; Wilkinson, 50; Brown, 70; and May, 60. These pedestrians being the four winners in the preliminary heats had to run off for the prize, when Wilkinson won easily. Fourth second: Brown and May did not run the distance out.

FOUR MRS. HANCOCK.—This was for a handsome silver cup, and was contested by the following men, viz.:—Hall, Topple, Leeson, Scott, and a star; Bonder's Novice, Topple Mullin, 2 min; Courtney Buggies, Wans, Brown, Allen, 2 min; Wild, 2 min; Handfield, Kemper, Furniss, 2 min; Ingham, Novice, Underwood, Myers, 1 min. Ingham was the winner, and champion, from scratch. Without going into any details as to the merits of the competitors, some of whom were soon found to have received their quinquies, as the finish of the distance was the winner, Courtney second, and Kemper third. Miles did not go the distance out, the champion having resigned when he had walked three miles, as did also Hall &c.

THIS FOURTH COMING MATCH BETWEEN MILES AND HATLEY.—The whole of the stakes (£20), in the two mile walking match between the celebrated James Miles, of Britton, champion, and William Hatley, of the city, has been already deposited, and the anticipated struggle is viewed with much interest in pedestrian circles. Miles is in active training for this, and likewise his match with Seal, of Staleybridge, at Smitham Bottom. Hatley has to receive 100 yds start. They walk on Monday on these grounds.

WARWICK AND MURRAY'S NOVICE.—George Warwick, the Epsom Stag, and Murray's man, have staked £10 to run five score yds, at Mr. J. C. Baum's, White Lion Ground, on Tuesday.

## BROMPTON.

RACE BETWEEN HODGSON AND TAYLOR.—These pedestrians met on Monday at Mr. John Roberts's ground, to decide their mile spin, there being present a strong master of the admirers of the men. Taylor was the first to start, and on coming to the mark he was placed the allotted distance in advance of his opponent, who was the favourite at £4. The result of the match is soon known, for after the start Hodgson gradually diminished the distance between them until they had entered upon the third lap, when he had so effectually "rubbed out" the advantage Taylor had at starting, that the latter was obliged to shoulder. Hodgson had no sooner finished his "dodging" work than he went away with the lead, the race never after being in doubt. He left his man at every stride, going by the goal a winner by 70 yds—the mile being covered in 4 min 15 sec.

TUESDAY.—There was a good attendance at these grounds to-day, to witness the 150 yds handicap, for a silver watch and money prizes given by Mr. Silver, of the White Hart, Rupert-street, Haymarket, for novices who have never won £2. The heats were in "threes," and were decided as follows:—First heat: French, 3 yds start, won easily, beating Taylor, 7. Second heat: Ash-ton, 3, first, beating Fox, 3 (who was close up), and Barton. Third heat: Langley, 8, first, beating Clark, 7, and Allen, 9. The fourth heat was a well-contested race, won by Archer, 8, beating Crossland, 9, and Francis, 9. Fifth heat: Canine, 7, walked over. Sixth heat: A close race, won by Watts, 5, beating Hunsley, 8. The six winners were then drawn in pairs for the grand heat, and the running was as follows:—Ash-ton beat Francis, 9, by 10 yds; Archer and Langley, now came out for the grand heat, which was won by the third, close up. The next event was a race of 150 yds, for £5, between Mills and Marsden, Mills giving two yards start, and although for a small amount, the match created great interest among the supporters of the men. Mills being the favourite. They got well off, Mills soon pulling up the two yards given, and the two ran shoulder to shoulder to the finish. So close were they together that it was thought to be a dead heat, but the referee, on being appealed to, gave the race to Mills by a foot.

## COPENHAGEN GROUNDS, GARRATT LANE, WANDSWORTH.

MATCH BETWEEN YATES AND SIMPSON.—These men met on Mr. John Garratt's enclosed ground on Monday, to decide their half mile spin, there being a great attendance of the metropolitans. The pedestrians, to complete the distance, had to make a circuit of the course twice. Mr. John Garratt was chosen as referee. The competitors agreed to run a straight race, and on the start being given the men dashed off in good style. The lead was taken by Yates, and on the completion of the first lap (440 yds), he was leading by four. So confident were his partisans, that at the half mile spin, there being a great crowd, they cheered him enthusiastically. Although Simpson, from the clearing of the first 100 yds, had been running in the rear, yet it was apparent he was "waiting" in his mind, faded was his appearance, and he seemed to be making effort, and was racing with admirable judgment. Until the pedestrians had run 600 yds of the distance the leading position was maintained by Yates, but at this point, when his admirers were so sanguine, a decided change occurred. Simpson, as they were coming round the bend of the course at the back, closed upon his competitor, and despite the strenuous efforts of Yates, succeeded in passing him to the front. Whereupon the cry was taken the lead he had in hand, for Yates gradually died out, and was defeated by fully 40 yds. Run in 2 min 13 sec, on rather heavy ground.

## COPENHAGEN GROUNDS, HOLLOWAY.

RACE BETWEEN DODSON AND KATWOOD.—These men met on Monday to run their race of 150 yds on the new enclosed ground at Holloway, the meeting being well attended by the partisans of the pedestrians. In arranging the preliminaries, John Rushton, the pedestrian, was chosen referee, and on coming to the mark the odds were in favour of Dodson. The pedestrians had to start by a signal, and on the signal being given they dashed off, Dodson gaining a deal the best of it. The lead throughout was maintained by Dodson, who went in an easy winner by 6 yds, much to the surprise of the friends of Katwood, who left the ground by no means satisfied with their man's performance.

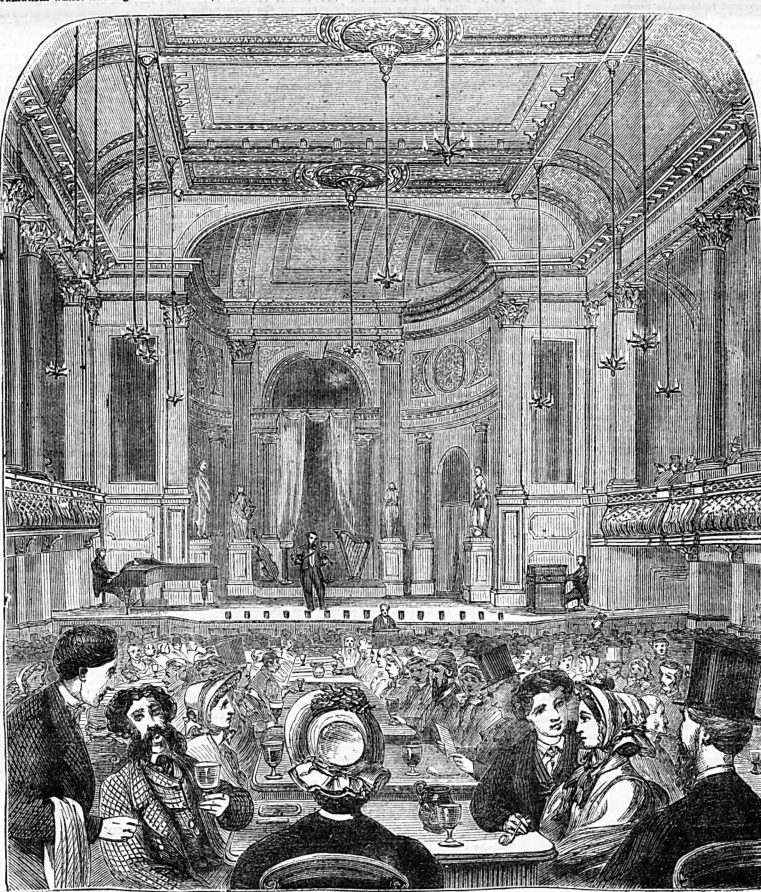
## BIRMINGHAM.

ASTON CROSS—MONDAY, NOV. 10.—Three races were set down for Wednesday on this day, the first being between Wans and Wans, both of Oldbury, who failed to put in an appearance, and consequently gave way to

3. ASTON, of the same place, and Jones (Brashley), of Birmingham. Aston receiving 4 yds start in six score, for £3 a side. After a considerable delay, at three o'clock the men appeared at the mark, very little interest being manifested. Offer of 3 to 1 (indeed any odds could be had) on the Birmingham pet, but wasters. Fifteen minutes were allowed for manoeuvring. Before half that time had elapsed the cry was "They are off!" Aston with a good lead, but addition to that given him, he, however, did not avail him, as Brashley at half distance passed his man, and ran in an easy winner by 1 yard. Referee, Mr. Jones, of Oldbury. The grounds were now cleared for in principal event of the day—the race between

THOMAS, of Trillick, and Elwell, of Breiterhill, and as a proof of the interest attached to this match—five score, for £10 a side—some 300 persons, chiefly from the black country, and it is seldom that such a large attendance has reached such a point, excitement being the order of the day. Who was brought to the scratch by T. Jones, of Birmingham, in beautiful condition, was at once made the man of the hour, and to 4, at which odds a big stake changed hands. Thomas was likewise in fine form, and had the police attendance of the comical Tom Wright, of Wolverhampton. The toss for sides was won by Thomas, who selected the left, which, being considered an equivalent to half a yard start, changed the odds to even, which excited national speculation. The referee, Mr. Cliffe, having taken his stand, and allowed fifteen minutes scratch, the men at once "peeled." Some very pretty by-play ensued, which, however, became tedious, as the whole of the allotted time was absorbed in false starts, when the referee sent a pistol down, which was objected to as being contrary to agreement, and fifteen minutes more cut to waste. Ultimately they agreed to the vote of the trigger. Thomas (who has frequently figured at these grounds, and is much the older star, which he maintained throughout, winning by two yards, and securing the stake. While on the mark the men bet the gate money.

CROSS and DARTMAN, of Wolverhampton.



THE OXFORD MUSIC HALL.

(From a Drawing by our own Artists.)





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PROFESSOR THOMAS, THE SALOPIAN.

(From a Photograph by Stuart, 120, Buchanan-street, Glasgow.)





## FIGHTS TO COME.

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